



April 17, 2009

The Honorable Dianne Jacob Supervisor, Second District County of San Diego 1600 Pacific Highway San Diego, CA 92101

Dear Supervisor Jacob:

As required by Senate Bill 621 (Battin), the two sovereign nations of Barona and Sycuan are honored to submit this letter as an endorsement for various projects that qualify for funding under this provision. As you are aware, SB 621 was enacted in 2003 to provide a framework for local communities and contributing tribes to allocate resources from the Special Distribution Fund (SDF). In 2008, AB 158 (Torrico) updated the statute. The SDF was established pursuant to tribal-state gaming compacts. In San Diego County, the SDF is funded by our two tribes. Taking into account the needs of our local communities and the recommendations of the Indian Gaming Local Community Benefit Committee, we have chosen to sponsor the following applications in the amounts stated:

County #2: Water Tender for County of San Diego "Fleet" -- \$140,000
County #3: Water Tender for Intermountain Fire Station -- \$140,000
County #4: Regional Fire and Public Utilities Training Center -- \$1,352,553.53
County #5: Interface Fire Engine for Campo -- \$212,500

County #8: Department of Public Works Street Sweeper -- \$225,000 County #21: District Attorney Tribal Liaison Program -- \$116,518

County #22: County Sheriff – PERT Program -- \$109,860

County #23: County HHS - Adult Protective Services - \$340,356 County #24: County HHS - Spirit of the Family -- \$160,000

El Cajon #25: Police Dept. - Video Monitoring and Recording System -- \$13,650

El Cajon #26: Street Resurfacing -- \$95,000

San Diego #27: Helicopter Fuel Servicing Vehicle Procurement/Acquisition -- \$179,325

TOTAL: \$3,084,762.53

As required by California Government Code section 12715(h), this grant application selection has a reasonable relationship to a casino impact and satisfies at least one of the priorities listed in Government Code section 12715(g).

On behalf of the tribal members of the two reservations, we are honored to be a part of such an important process. We are continually gratified with the support the citizens of San Diego County have given us, and we feel especially responsible for maintaining the trust they have placed in us.

Sincerely,

EDWIN "THORPE" ROMERO

Chairman

Barona Band of Mission Indians

DANIEL J. TUCKER

Chairman

Sycuan Band of the Kumeyaay Nation